

Regulatory Boards

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Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2002 Total App	FY 2002 Actual	FY 2003 Approp	FY 2004 Request	FY 2004 Gov Rec
BY PROGRAM					
Athletic Commission	38,900	9,100	7,000	19,400	19,000
Board of Accountancy	410,900	352,900	440,000	450,400	444,200
Board of Engineers & Surveyors	397,200	353,000	398,000	414,100	405,700
Board of Professional Geologists	46,000	42,300	59,800	62,600	61,700
Bureau of Occupational Licenses	1,448,300	1,290,300	1,412,500	1,458,500	1,440,100
Certified Shorthand Reporters Bd	24,300	21,000	24,300	25,800	24,400
Outfitters & Guides Licensing Bd	463,900	444,600	486,700	477,600	472,600
Real Estate Commission	1,091,000	867,600	1,133,100	1,102,900	1,085,400
Total:	3,920,500	3,380,800	3,961,400	4,011,300	3,953,100
BY FUND CATEGORY					
General	0	0	0	12,700	12,500
Dedicated	3,920,500	3,380,800	3,961,400	3,998,600	3,940,600
Total:	3,920,500	3,380,800	3,961,400	4,011,300	3,953,100
Percent Change:		(13.8%)	17.2%	1.3%	(0.2%)
BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE					
Personnel Costs	2,245,500	1,998,800	2,223,100	2,220,400	2,208,600
Operating Expenditures	1,584,500	1,294,300	1,622,100	1,701,500	1,666,300
Capital Outlay	38,000	47,700	63,700	36,900	25,700
Trustee/Benefit	52,500	40,000	52,500	52,500	52,500
Total:	3,920,500	3,380,800	3,961,400	4,011,300	3,953,100
Full-Time Positions (FTP)	45.87	45.87	45.87	43.90	43.90

Division Description

The Division of Regulatory Boards include eight boards and commissions that regulate various professions in Idaho. Brief descriptions of each are as follows:

The Athletic Commission exists to promote safe and legal professional boxing and wrestling events in Idaho.

The Board of Accountancy ensures that standards are maintained for certified public accountants and licensed public accountants in Idaho.

The Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors develops and maintains high qualification standards for professional engineers and land surveyors.

The Bureau of Occupational Licenses exists to provide, under contract, those administrative, investigative, and fiscal services necessary to enable various licensing boards to carry out their mandated responsibilities.

The Real Estate Commission ensures ethical and legal real estate practices in Idaho. The commission develops and administers a coordinated education program to meet statutory requirements and to increase the skills and knowledge of those within the real estate profession.

The Board of Professional Geologists sees that geological work in Idaho is conducted by qualified geologists acting in an appropriate and professional manner.

The Certified Shorthand Reporters Board regulates promotes shorthand reporting services in Idaho.

The Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board regulates outfitter and guide services in Idaho.

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Comparative Summary

Decision Unit	Agency Request			Governor's Rec		
	FTP	General	Total	FTP	General	Total
FY 2003 Original Appropriation	45.87	0	3,961,400	45.87	0	3,961,400
1. Stabilize Athletic Comm. Funding	0.00	36,900	40,900	0.00	27,200	40,900
FY 2003 Total Appropriation	45.87	36,900	4,002,300	45.87	27,200	4,002,300
Expenditure Adjustments	(2.00)	0	(69,400)	(2.00)	0	(69,400)
FY 2003 Estimated Expenditures	43.87	36,900	3,932,900	43.87	27,200	3,932,900
Removal of One-Time Expenditures	0.00	(24,400)	(117,800)	0.00	(14,700)	(117,800)
Base Adjustments	0.03	0	0	0.03	0	(7,200)
FY 2004 Base	43.90	12,500	3,815,100	43.90	12,500	3,807,900
Employee Benefit Costs	0.00	0	33,200	0.00	0	38,700
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	100	34,000	0.00	0	0
Replacement Items	0.00	0	41,000	0.00	0	37,000
Nonstandard Adjustments	0.00	0	39,600	0.00	0	38,400
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	100	17,300	0.00	0	0
FY 2004 Program Maintenance	43.90	12,700	3,980,200	43.90	12,500	3,922,000
1. Real Estate: On-line application fees	0.00	0	12,000	0.00	0	12,000
2. Real Estate: staff training	0.00	0	13,100	0.00	0	13,100
3. Real Estate: computer hardware	0.00	0	6,000	0.00	0	6,000
FY 2004 Total	43.90	12,700	4,011,300	43.90	12,500	3,953,100
Change from Original Appropriation	(1.97)	12,700	49,900	(1.97)	12,500	(8,300)
% Change from Original Appropriation			1.3%			(0.2%)

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
FY 2003 Original Appropriation	45.87	0	3,961,400	0	3,961,400

1. Stabilize Athletic Comm. Funding

Athletic Commission

This supplemental of \$40,900 (\$36,900 from the General Fund) will allow the Commission to make a one-time pay-off of all outstanding expenses incurred through FY 2002 of \$28,400. On-going funding is requested for costs of the commissioner's honorarium at \$25 per day and fixed costs in operating expenses. (\$28,400 one-time; \$12,500 on-going).

Analyst Note: This Fall, Legislative Audits found that the Commission's fund balance, drop in revenues, and outstanding accounts payable raise concerns about its ability to continue operating. The Audit noted that, as of April 2002, the Commissioner had not been paid his salary, as allowed by Idaho Code, since July 2001. This amount could be as high as \$12,500.

Agency Request	0.00	36,900	4,000	0	40,900
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The Governor's recommendation allows the Commission to make a one-time pay-off of all outstanding expenses incurred through FY 2002 for \$28,400. Ongoing funding is recommended to offset costs associated with the commissioner's honorarium at \$25 per day and other fixed costs such as interagency billing. The Governor notes this recommendation is necessary to ensure revenue stability for continued operations; otherwise, the Commission may have to be abolished.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	27,200	13,700	0	40,900
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FY 2003 Total Appropriation					
Agency Request	45.87	36,900	3,965,400	0	4,002,300
Governor's Recommendation	45.87	27,200	3,975,100	0	4,002,300

Expenditure Adjustments

Real Estate Commission

Reflects efficiencies realized by streamlining operations and eliminating two vacant FTPs.

Agency Request	(2.00)	0	(69,400)	0	(69,400)
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Governor's Recommendation	(2.00)	0	(69,400)	0	(69,400)
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FY 2003 Estimated Expenditures					
Agency Request	43.87	36,900	3,896,000	0	3,932,900
Governor's Recommendation	43.87	27,200	3,905,700	0	3,932,900

Removal of One-Time Expenditures

Reflects the removal of one-time expenditures.

Agency Request	0.00	(24,400)	(93,400)	0	(117,800)
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Governor's Recommendation	0.00	(14,700)	(103,100)	0	(117,800)
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Base Adjustments

Certified Shorthand Reporters

This reflects a very slight adjustment of 3/100 FTP to account for normal workload and eliminate the need for overtime pay. Additional spending authority is not required because the board has sufficient salary savings.

Agency Request	0.03	0	0	0	0
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The base reduction includes the elimination of on-going spending authority in Capital Outlay for the Real Estate Commission which is no longer needed.

Governor's Recommendation	0.03	0	(7,200)	0	(7,200)
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FY 2004 Base					
Agency Request	43.90	12,500	3,802,600	0	3,815,100
Governor's Recommendation	43.90	12,500	3,795,400	0	3,807,900

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
Employee Benefit Costs					
Includes the employer portion of estimated changes in employee benefit costs. Most of this increase is due to a projected 14.7% increase in health insurance costs.					
Agency Request	0.00	0	33,200	0	33,200
<i>The Governor also recommends additional funding to be applied to the employee paid portion of health and dental insurance cost increases, in order to prevent employees from experiencing a reduction in take-home pay.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	38,700	0	38,700
Inflationary Adjustments					
Includes a general inflationary increase of 2.4% in operating expenditures.					
Agency Request	0.00	100	33,900	0	34,000
<i>The Governor recommends no increase for general inflation.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
Replacement Items					
Includes the following replacement items:					
Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors: one desk-top computer (\$2,000), one printer (\$2,000), one copier (\$6,000)					
Outfitters and Guides: two computer workstations at \$1,500 each (\$3,000), one laptop (\$3,000), one printer (\$1,700), upgrade software (\$1,800).					
Real Estate Commission: one server (\$6,000), operating software (\$15,500).					
Agency Request	0.00	0	41,000	0	41,000
<i>The Governor does not recommend the computer (\$2,000) or the printer (\$2,000) for the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	37,000	0	37,000
Nonstandard Adjustments					
Relects adjustments in State Controller, Attorney General, and Treasurer fees. Aslo reflects adjustments for Risk Management rates.					
Agency Request	0.00	0	39,600	0	39,600
<i>The Governor's recommendation is a reduction from the request of \$1,000 for Attorney General fees and \$200 for Controller fees.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	38,400	0	38,400
Change in Employee Compensation					
Reflects the cost of a 1% salary increase for permanent positions.					
Agency Request	0.00	100	17,200	0	17,300
<i>The Governor does not recommend new funding for state employee pay increases. Compensation increases may be funded with agency salary savings wherever possible.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
FY 2004 Program Maintenance					
Agency Request	43.90	12,700	3,967,500	0	3,980,200
Governor's Recommendation	43.90	12,500	3,909,500	0	3,922,000

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
1. Real Estate: On-line application fees			Real Estate Commission		
This DU will provide spending authority to finance on-line licensing and courses. The Commission states it collaborated with Access Idaho to develop these on-line resources and as a result has eliminated 2.0 FTP-- with an annual savings of approximately \$60,000. The requested spending authority will allow the Commission to pay the convenience fees that accompany the on-line services. By paying these fees, the Commission hopes to encourage greater use by licensees and course providers which should lead to a reduced workload at the Commission. The on-line services are provided 24/7 to licensees and educators and convenience fees are estimated to be about \$1,000 per month. The Commission hopes that increased use of the on-line services will allow the reduction of an additional FTP by FY 2006.					
Agency Request	0.00	0	12,000	0	12,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	12,000	0	12,000
2. Real Estate: staff training			Real Estate Commission		
This DU will provide \$13,100 in dedicated fund spending authority to finance staff training necessary to meet standards set forth by ITRMC requiring a change in electronic operating systems from Novell to a Microsoft. The current IT Systems Administrator will require training to support the new operating system to maintain the integrity of Commission data base and recors. Not receiving this spending authority will make it impossible for the Commission to meet ITRMC mandate to change systems. (\$13,100 in one-time dedicated funding).					
Agency Request	0.00	0	13,100	0	13,100
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	13,100	0	13,100
3. Real Estate: computer hardware			Real Estate Commission		
This DU will provide \$6,000 in dedicated fund spending authority to finance the purchase of a new server to accommodate the Commission's switch to the Microsoft operating system required by INTRMC. The current Novell server is not compatible with the Microsoft system. The Commission notes that not receiving this spending authority will make it impossible for the Commission to comply with ITRMC's requirement.					
Agency Request	0.00	0	6,000	0	6,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	6,000	0	6,000
FY 2004 Total					
Agency Request	43.90	12,700	3,998,600	0	4,011,300
Governor's Recommendation	43.90	12,500	3,940,600	0	3,953,100
Agency Request					
Change from Original App	(1.97)	12,700	37,200	0	49,900
% Change from Original App	(4.3%)		0.9%		1.3%
Governor's Recommendation					
Change from Original App	(1.97)	12,500	(20,800)	0	(8,300)
% Change from Original App	(4.3%)		(0.5%)		(0.2%)

Regulatory Boards Issues & Information

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Free Fund Balances				
Board	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003*	FY 2004*
Athletic Commission	\$900	\$4,900	\$900	\$900
Board of Accountancy	\$386,400	\$410,300	\$370,300	\$352,900
Bd of Prof. Engineers & Surveyors	\$273,500	\$347,400	\$386,900	\$408,100
Real Estate Commission	\$857,000	\$1,033,300	\$1,006,600	\$1,052,800
Board of Professional Geologists	\$50,800	\$54,000	\$42,400	\$30,700
Board of Cert. Shorthand Reporters	\$34,000	\$29,200	\$20,100	\$11,100
Outfitters & Guides Licensing Board	\$269,900	\$207,700	\$128,000	\$84,900

* Figures are based on revenue projections for FY 2003 & FY 2004 based on original budget request for FY 2004.

Free Fund Balances Board Programs Administered by Bureau of Occupational Licenses				
Board	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003*	FY 2004*
Acupuncturists	\$36,742	\$48,849	\$59,300	\$67,500
Architects	\$199,496	\$212,296	\$218,300	\$215,300
Athletic Agents	\$0	(\$498)	(\$1,100)	(\$1,900)
Barbers	\$89,754	\$103,027	\$114,600	\$123,700
Chiropractors	\$64,839	\$69,587	\$68,900	\$61,100
Cosmetologists	\$152,414	\$285,000	\$392,300	\$463,900
Counselors	\$100,021	\$112,578	\$118,100	\$114,200
Denturists	\$17,040	\$12,480	\$5,800	(\$3,500)
Environmental Health Specialists	(\$2,169)	(\$9,285)	\$0	\$0
Hearing Aid Dealers & Fitters	\$18,513	(\$3,867)	(\$33,000)	(\$70,600)
Landscape Architects	\$28,761	\$28,865	\$26,300	\$20,200
Morticians	\$17,054	\$46,126	\$75,100	\$103,300
Nursing Home Administrators	\$2,133	\$14,223	\$25,300	\$34,900
Optometrists	\$14,153	(\$1,229)	(\$22,900)	(\$52,400)
Podiatrists	\$4,190	\$11,033	\$17,100	\$21,900
Psychologists	\$52,784	\$39,494	\$16,700	(\$18,100)
Real Estate Appraisers	\$110,938	\$102,774	\$75,000	\$22,700
Residential Care Administrators	\$60,639	\$63,996	\$64,400	\$61,000
Social Workers	\$80,263	\$110,101	\$131,800	\$142,400

* Figures are based on revenue projections for FY 2003 & FY 2004.